## EXHIBIT 1

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

JASON A. RICHER, Plaintiff

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C.A. No. 15-162-L-PAS

JASON PARMELEE, as the Finance Director of THE TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD, TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD and STEVEN E. REYNOLDS in his official capacity as Chief of the NORTH SMITHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT, Defendants

## **AFFIDAVIT**

- I, <u>Tim Lafferty</u>, after having been duly sworn, upon oath, depose and state as follows:
- 1. I have been a member of the North Smithfield Police Department for 18 years.
- 2. My current rank is Captain and I serve as the Executive Officer for the Department.
- 3. As Captain and Executive Officer, my general responsibilities include being second in command of the North Smithfield Police Department. In addition to the responsibilities attendant to being second-in-command, my responsibilities include, but are not limited to, being the officer in command of the Property/Evidence and Records divisions, Professional Standards, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and the Firearms, Prosecution and Detectives' divisions.
- 4. My first contact with Mr. Jason Richer concerning this matter was on or about July 24, 2013. At that time, my rank was Captain and Executive Officer for the Department.
- 5. At some point soon after Mr. Richer gave me a copy of the November 24, 2008, letter from John Murphy of Plaza Psychology & Psychiatry Inc., I attempted to contact Mr. Murphy to confirm the contents of the letter. I contacted Plaza Psychology & Psychiatry; however, Mr. Murphy was no longer employed by Plaza Psychology & Psychiatry. I contacted Mr. Richer to determine if he had the any other contact information for Mr. Murphy but Mr. Richer indicated that he did not.
- 6. During my meeting with Mr. Richer, on or about July 24, 2013, Mr. Richer did not present me with a newspaper clipping regarding <u>Robert Machado v. City of Cranston</u>. Mr. Richer did, however, show me a copy of the article on his cell phone.

- 7. In my capacity as a North Smithfield Police Officer for 18 years, and my capacity as Captain and Executive Officer of the North Smithfield Police Department, I am knowledgeable regarding the customs, policies, and practices of the North Smithfield Police Department.
- 8. The North Smithfield Police Department does not have a custom, policy, or practice of requiring lawful weapon's owners to engage in formal litigation to recover their seized property.
- 9. I have attached to this affidavit, as Exhibit 1, a true and accurate copy of the September 19, 2008, Incident Report concerning Plaintiff.

Tim Lafferty

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 30th day of September 2015.

Notary Public

State of Rhode Island

My Commission Expires 3/3/19

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Incident #: 08-923-OF Call #: 08-7394

Date/Time Reported: 09/19/2008 1646 Report Date/Time: 09/19/2008 1737

Status: No Crime Involved

Involves: Domestic Violence

Reporting Officer: SERGEANT MARK BERGERON

Assisting Officer: DETECTIVE LIEUTENANT STEPHEN RICCITELLI Approving Officer: DETECTIVE LIEUTENANT STEPHEN RICCITELLI

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature:

# EVENTS(S)

LOCATION TYPE: Residence/Home/Apt./Condo

Zone: LAKE BELAIR

7 MATTITY RD

NORTH SMITHFIELD RI 02896

VERBAL DOMESTIC

# PERSON(S) PERSON TYPE SEX RACE AGE SSN PHONE 42 PARTICIPANT RICHER, TRACY L

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Home Phone (Primary)

RICHER, JASON A 44 PARTICIPANT

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DOB:

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Home Phone (Primary)

Ref: 08-923-OF

On the reported date and time, units responded to 7 Mattity Road for a report of a verbal domestic dispute in progress. Upon my arrival, Lt. Riccitelli was already speaking with the male party involved, Jason Richer. I made my way to an office in the back of the garage and spoke with Jason's wife Tracy. Jason and Tracy have been married for 24 years and have three children in common.

Tracy informed me that her and Jason are in the process of getting divorced. She also stated that Jason believes that she is having an affair with her boss from work. While the two of them were at home prior to the incident, Tracy stated that she locked the home computer because she did not want Jason to send any emails to her boss. She stated that when Jason found out about the computer he became very upset and stated that he was going to call her boss on the phone. Tracy then grabbed the antenna for the phone to try and stop Jason from using the phone. Tracy told me that Jason then said that he was going to call 911 and she walked away.

Jason also stated that the two of them are in the process of going through a divorce. He stated to me that he believes that Tracy is having an affair with her boss. He stated that he attempted to get onto the computer and discovered that it was locked with a password. An argument then ensued between the two parties which was verbal only. Jason stated that Tracy never took the phone out of his hand when he was calling 911. He stated that he called and hung up. The 911 operator then called him back and spoke with him dispatching units.

The children were not on scene at the time of the incident or during the investigation. A DVSA form was completed. I did speak with both parties to see if one of them would be willing to spend the night at another residence for a cooling off period. Both parties denied and stated that they have separate bedrooms in the house.

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